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Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief dated August 25, 2009, Appellants provide herein replacement section V "SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER" in accordance with MPEP 1205.03, by providing only the corrected section of the Appeal Brief.

Replacement section V starts on page 2.

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V. SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER

It should be explicitly noted that it is not the Appellants' intention that the currently claimed or described embodiments be limited to operation within the illustrative embodiments described below beyond what is required by the claim language. Further description of the illustrative embodiments are provided indicating portions of the claims which cover the illustrative embodiments merely for compliance with requirements of this appeal without intending to read any further interpreted limitations into the claims as presented.

The claimed invention, as recited in claim 16, is directed to a method for coding a presentation description of an audio signal (page 3, line 33 to page 12; see particularly table 4 and page 9, line 8 to page 12), comprising: assigning a value to a first non-point sound source using said audio signal; generating for said first non-point sound source a parametric description, said parametric description including said assigned value in a field specifying decorrelation information (table 4 and page 9, line 8 to page 12); incrementing said value for an additional non-point sound source using the same audio signal; and generating, for said additional non-point sound source, a parametric description, said parametric description including said incremented value in a field specifying decorrelation information to specify a different decorrelation for said additional non-point sound source.

The claimed invention, as recited in claim 22, is directed to a method for decoding a presentation description of an audio signal (page 3, line 33 to page 12; see particularly table 4 and page 9, line 8 to page 12), comprising: receiving a parametric description of a first non-point sound source, wherein said parametric description includes a value in a field specifying decorrelation information; selecting, depending on said value a decorrelation for said non-point sound source; receiving a parametric description of an additional non-point sound source using the same audio signal, wherein said parametric description includes an incremented value in a field specifying decorrelation information; and selecting, depending on said incremented value, a different decorrelation for the additional non-point sound source (table 4 and page 9, line 8 to page 12).

The claimed invention, as recited in claim 28, is directed to an apparatus for coding a presentation description of an audio signal (page 3, line 33 to page 12; see particularly table 4 and page 9, line 8 to page 12), comprising: means for assigning a value to a first non-point sound source using said audio signal (Fig. 1, node ND; page 3, line 33 to page 4, line 9); means for generating (Fig. 1, node ND; page 4, line 1 to page 5, line 17) for said first non-

point sound source a parametric description, said parametric description including said assigned value in a field specifying decorrelation information; means for incrementing (Fig. 1, node ND; page 3, line 33 to page 4, line 35 and page 6, lines 5-27, table 2) said value for an additional non-point sound source using the same audio signal; and means for generating (Fig. 1, node ND; page 3, line 33 to page 4, line 35 and page 6, lines 5-27 and page 9, line 8 to page 12, table 2, table 4) for said additional non-point sound source a parametric description, said parametric description including said incremented value in a field specifying decorrelation information to specify a different decorrelation for said additional non-point sound source.

The claimed invention, as recited in claim 29, is directed to an apparatus for decoding a presentation description of an audio signal (Fig. 1, page 3, line 33 to page 12; see particularly table 4 and page 9, line 8 to page 12), comprising: means for receiving (Fig. 1, node ND; page 3, line 33 to page 4, line 35) a parametric description of a first non-point sound source, wherein said parametric description includes a value in a field specifying decorrelation information; means for selecting depending on said value a decorrelation for said non-point sound source; means for receiving (Fig. 1, node ND; page 3, line 33 to page 4, line 35 and page 6, lines 5-27, table 2) a parametric description of an additional non-point sound source using the same audio signal, wherein said parametric description includes an incremented value in a field specifying decorrelation information; and means for selecting (Fig. 1, node ND; page 3, line 33 to page 4, line 35 and page 6, lines 5-27, table 2) depending on said incremented value a different decorrelation for the additional non-point sound source (see also: table 4 and page 9, line 8 to page 12).

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CONCLUSION

In light of the above replacement section V, Appellants respectfully submit the Appeal Brief is corrected and should be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

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